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SUBJECT: US/VN RELATIONS: RETURN OF REMAINS AND
PHAN HIEN MESSAGE

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1. EMBOFF SAW SRV LIAISON OFFICER DO THANH AT
1015 MARCH 24 TO CONVEY THE INFORMATION CONCERNING
THE CONFUSION OF THE REMAINS OF GOLDBERG AND WYNNE
(REF A). DO THANH SAID THAT HE WOULD SEND THIS
INFORMATION TO HANOI IMMEDIATELY.

2. DO THANH SAID THAT HE HAD JUST RECEIVED A TELEGRAM
FROM HANOI WITH DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER PHAN
HIEN'S REPLY TO LEONARD WOODCOCK'S MESSAGE IN REF B.
THE MESSAGE WAS IN VIETNAMESE, AND THE FOLLOWING IS
OUR INFORMAL TRANSLATION TO DO THANH'S INFORMAL
TRANSLATION INTO FRENCH:
TO THE HONORABLE LEONARD WOODCOCK:
I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR LETTER. WITH REFERENCE TO THE
CASE OF MAJOR EATON, I IMMEDIATELY INFORMED THE
APPROPRIATE VIETNAMESE SERVICE WHICH TAKES CARE
OF THE SEARCH FOR INFORMATION ON THE MIA. BUT,
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AS YOU KNOW, THE SEARCH AND IDENTIFICATION OF
CASES, SUCH AS THAT OF MAJOR EATON, REQUIRE TIME.
WE SHALL MAKE AN EFFORT TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM
AND WHEN WE HAVE THE RESULTS, WE SHALL INFORM THE
AMERICAN PARTY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. AS FOR THE
REMAINS ABOUT WHICH YOU INFORMED US AS HAVING BEEN
TURNED OVER IN ERROR, WE SHALL COMMUNICATE OUR

VIEW AFTER VERIFICATION. HIGH CONSIDERATION

PHAN HIEN

3. DO THANH SAID THAT THEY HAD SEEN THE PRESS
ACCOUNTS OF THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENTS AFTER THE
CONVERSATION WITH MR. WOODCOCK, AND HE ASKED US TO
PROVIDE HIM WITH A TEXT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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